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Watching Steps.

Congress is well advised in seeking light from the best informed sources on all questions on which it is expected to legislate. Hearings are the order of the day. Committees are proceeding with care. They want to feel that they are right before drafting and presenting measures.

This, of course, has always been done. Hearings have always been a feature of congressional procedure. But the policy is especially important now, since everything has been more or less upset by the war.

Railroad men are soon to appear and be interrogated about land transportation. That question has a new interest and importance as the result of government control and operation of railroads for the first time. The action taken was necessary, but has proved very expensive. The amount will be charged to the war. But we may not have paid too much for our experience if we can extract from it with the aid of practical railroad men a lesson about future railroad regulation. The roads are to be returned to their owners, but post-war government regulation will differ in some things from pre-war regulation.

Tariff hearings are beginning, and business men—manufacturers and distributors alike—are invited to come forward and give the ways and means committee the benefit of their views. Tariff revision this time will, first and last, be on a more thorough and searching scale than ever before. Indeed, the full scope of the revision calls for time, and close noting as the work progresses of what the European nations are doing along the same lines. As we are to trade with them and they with us, our rates and schedules must take into account their markets as well as our own.

In many other matters Congress will need, and will seek, all information obtainable from sources entitled to be heard. We are entering on a new era, economical, political and social. In a large sense we are living in a new world, as the result of the recent unparalleled convulsion, and must study it closely in order to find and fully improve our place in it. That place should be the leading place, and if the opportunity is improved we shall reach it.

In all things a great deal depends on the first step. If that is well and wisely taken, other steps are taken with less difficulty and more assurance. Reconstruction is a large order, and the country has committed it to the republican party. The first steps taken, therefore, in filling the order will count heavily, for or against, as they are well or ill taken.

A lack of coal is reported from so many parts of the globe that the fuel shortage threatens to add itself to the already numerous international problems.

Whatever may happen, Senators Hitchcock and Swanson are on record as being in thorough agreement on general principles.

American politics clings to certain well recognized forms of procedure. Predictions of a new party are now in order.

The President at Home.

The day of exclusiveness is past. The latestrating at the White House hangs on the outside. Everybody now is welcome. Come one, come all.

There is much in the announcement. The President is well advised in the step he has taken. Well advised, for two reasons. Let us put the interests of the country first.

In the first place, then, the business of Congress is to be considered. Unless there is a measure of agreement, or understanding, or something, between the President and Congress, progress will be difficult, if not impossible; and progress, to a degree, should be made. A crowded legislative calendar faces both Congress and the executive. They should confer about matters. As the republicans are responsible on Capitol Hill, they are entitled to a word at the White House, and presumably will take their turn at the President's ear. They are, of course, included in the invitation just issued.

In the second place, the President, as the undisputed leader of his party, should get, and keep, in touch with representative democrats of all sections. They are looking to him for suggestions. Some are wondering whether he wants another term. Some are hoping that he does. Some are for him whether he does or not. All will be interested in his decision when it is announced.

The President's aloofness has been widely, and somewhat unfavorably, remarked. Even his warmest admirers have found it unwelcome. He has ap-

peared to be sufficient unto himself. His closest friend has been entirely outside officialdom. Col. House has neither held office, nor aspired to office. He has been answerable for his part as adviser in public business only to the President.

It has been suggested that the President's change of policy is due to his experience at the peace conference. For the first time, as a member of a conference he found it necessary to confer, and he has discovered profit derivable from listening to the other fellow.

Whatever the reason for its adoption, the new policy best conforms to our politics, and the President is to be congratulated. There will be something in it for him and for others. He will get a clearer idea of what is going on in Congress from frequent and intimate contact with those who are in the thick of the action; and he should keep well informed on that subject from the best informed sources.

This invitation is not confined to legislators, and they are not likely to monopolize it. Prominent men out of office with suggestions to offer will, it is understood, find hospitality for them at the White House under the new arrangement.

The Shantung Question.

So much has been said about the Shantung matter in the Senate that it is essential that the full facts be made public. The Senate has adopted a resolution calling upon the President for a copy of an alleged treaty entered into between Germany and Japan last October. There is no assurance that such a treaty exists. It has been reported, however, in a news dispatch that has never been officially substantiated and some official statement should be forthcoming relative to it. It was also stated in the Senate yesterday that Japan had been granted Shantung as a consideration for signing the peace treaty. On this point the Senate makes no specific inquiry.

It is impossible now to prevent a full clearance of this matter of the reasons for the grant of a large area of China to Japan. The United States has become a party to the transaction by reason of its participation in the peace conference, and the signing by its delegates of the treaty which transfers the former German holdings in China to Japan. Though warning was given yesterday in the Senate against a stirring of this matter, it cannot be silenced, and the sooner the full facts as to the relation of Japan to the peace treaty, and particularly the relations between Japan and Germany, are made plain the better.

If there was, as alleged, a secret treaty between Japan, Great Britain, France and Russia by virtue of which Japan was enabled to exact the terms that were written in the treaty at Paris, the American delegates at the conference were helpless in any attempt that they might have made to protect China from spoliation. A statement to that effect was made in the Senate yesterday. On this point specific information was not sought. The subject, however, is certain to be agitated further. Just at present the Shantung question transcends in importance the matter of reservations to the league of nations covenant as affecting the main issue of ratification.

The Hungarian communists are apparently conservatives to the extent of desiring to preserve a situation which may serve as the nucleus of a future war.

No country is strongly ambitious to have the ex-kaiser as a resident. The situation is necessarily a shock to a person so widely advertised as a superman.

Secretary of State Lansing succeeded in transacting his portion of the peace conference business by means of one round trip.

In considering questions of sea control, England is not neglecting some important experiments in air shipping.

The food situation has long been one "problem of distribution" after another.

Bernstorff Falls Short.

Unflattering though the reputation of Count von Bernstorff as a prophet in American policy may be in this country, in Germany he is today regarded as the highest available authority on such subjects. Recent expressions on his part relative to a pro-American policy in Germany and its attendant advantages to that country will there be heeded with an attentive ear. So it is a pity that the count missed a real chance to be of service to his fellow countrymen at last.

He wrote of the benefits that would accrue to Germany when that country, having been admitted to the league of nations, should find itself at the side of the United States in the task of binding peoples together across the frontiers of states. He accurately advised his public that America must be convinced that militarism in Germany is dead and that Germany has no intention of fostering a socialist world revolution. But he stopped short of his big chance.

For what his fellow countrymen need to have explained to them by one whose words carry the weight of sympathy as well as accuracy is not what will happen when the present shall have become the past, but the facts of Germany's present in so far as America's attitude toward her goes. Bernstorff is in a position to perform this service for them. He has told them that the peoples of the world are to be bound together across the frontiers of

states. Had he qualified his statement by saying "decent peoples" and proceeded to explain concisely in plain words the reputation in which Germany has placed herself here and the road she must travel to win back what she has destroyed, he would have at last performed a high service to his country as an interpreter of American sentiment.

Now for the Facts!

Vested with broad powers of investigation, the Senate subcommittee of the District committee named to conduct the probe into the cost of living in the District of Columbia should be able to reach the facts. The subcommittee is composed of men known for their industry and capacity. The resolution under which they are acting puts no limit upon the scope of their work. They can sit in or out of session of the Senate, can send for persons and papers and have full authority of investigation. In these circumstances they should be able to ascertain definitely whether the prices that have prevailed in Washington during the past two years or more have been extortionate in comparison with other cities, and perhaps they can ascertain the cause of such extortion if it has prevailed. As has been repeatedly stated, the point of chief interest to the people of Washington is whether there has been undue profiteering here; whether, in short, the Washington merchants have advanced their prices unduly. For the local consumers have been the chief sufferers from the high costs that have undoubtedly prevailed, not the newcomers, who have been but a small number in comparison with the permanent population. It is the matter of rents, which will fall under the committee's range of inquiry, there is hope that from this investigation, which should be promptly pressed, will come some form of fair rent regulation law that will be protective to both tenants and property owners. The District should have had such a law months ago.

Police Success.

It is indicated that one of the men guilty of recent assaults on women in this region has been identified and the case stands greatly to the credit of the police force, which, despite a heavy burden of work and depleted personnel, has done the utmost possible on this series of crimes. In these cases the greatest care is necessary, both to exhaust every possibility of apprehension and to avoid injustice. Fortunately there has been no hysteria in the pursuit of the criminals—present opinion is that there is more than one offender—and sensible methods have prevailed. Definite assurance that the men now under accusation is the assailant in one of the cases will greatly relieve the community and ease the strain under which it has been suffering for nearly a fortnight.

Bolshevism is so rapidly on the decline that the Industrial Workers of the World members may as well reconcile themselves to the prospect of their becoming actual workers.

The railroads have not so far demonstrated that government control is of any particular advantage to the man who has invested his savings to become a minority stockholder.

China is still searching the philosophies of Confucius for some soothing precept that will adequately apply to the Shantung situation.

SHOOTING STARS.

BY PHILANDER JOHNSON.

Consistent.

"Are you in favor of daylight saving?"
"Yes," answered Farmer Cornsossel.
"I'm so much in favor of it that I'm against wasting any more time arguing about it."

Another Broken Home.

"What's this?" inquired the man with a fastidious look.
"Something I fixed up myself," answered his wife. "It's 'liberty cabbage.'"
"Oh, liberty! What crimes are committed in thy name!"

"De tireddest business man I ever saw," said Uncle Eben, "is one dat tried to go to de races, play golf an' take in a music show, all in de same day."

Selfishness.

I wonder why my woes should be so very serious to me,
While such as other people bear
Seem mostly trifles, light as air.

Proceeding With Caution.

"There are a few things you ought to explain in your next speech."
"I know it," replied Senator Sorghum. "But it'll take time."
"Why the delay?"
"I've got to wait for somebody to explain 'em to me."

Looking Upward.

The airship gayly sails on high,
Beyond this earth so vexed,
And mortals wonder with a sigh
What's going to happen next.

It seeks a realm that seems to bring
A bliss beyond compare.
There is no charge for anything.
All is as free as air.

And yet, when roads are charted plain
Up yonder in the blue,
Will profiteering rise again
Our sorrows to renew!

Will there be an aerial host
To rival earthly worldly crowds,
With landlords hurrying to post
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Women's Apparel Section, Third floor.

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Colored Organdie Blouses for Misses, chiefly blue, rose and tan; often with Buster Brown collar of a contrast material, and matching cuffs; one style with tucked front; another a slip-over model, closing in middie fashion and showing a combination with white organdie; others with smart roll collars and cuffs, plain or enhanced with tucks. \$2.75 to \$4.25.

Misses' Apparel Section, Fourth floor.

Guimpes for the Girl and Junior

All ready to slip under the outside garment are the prettiest guimpes of white lawn, trimmed with tiny cluster tucks and then either touched with embroidery or finished with pleated edgings. There are also neat tailored styles with white pique collars and cuffs, and at least one with the collar and cuffs defined by hemstitching. \$1.25 to \$2.25.

Girls' Section, Fourth floor.

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